



State of Delaware
Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund
Fiscal Year 2019
Project Priority List

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FY 2019 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST
for the
DELAWARE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING FUND

I. NARRATIVE

This Fiscal Year 2019 Revised Project Priority List (PPL) is the thirty-second prepared for the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund (WPCRF). The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) is empowered to administer the WPCRF in accordance with the requirements set forth in Title VI of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987, and by 29 Del C., Chapter 80, §8003.

The preparation of the PPL is a semi-annual function specified in the WPCRF Operating Agreement between the DNREC and the USEPA, Region III. This is the first PPL prepared for FY 2019.

A public hearing in accordance with the provision of 29 Del C. Chapter 80, §8003(11)(d)(2) was noticed to the Public Meeting Calendar on February 27, 2019. Newspaper notices posted in the Delaware News Journal and Delaware State News on March 3 and March 10, 2019, informing the public of a Public Hearing to be held on March 13, 2019, to receive public comment on the 2019 PPL and Intended Use Plan (IUP). The Water Infrastructure Advisory Council met on March 13, 2019, to review, approve, and recommend the PPL and IUP; subject to no adverse public comments received by April 12, 2019. No adverse public comments were received.

II. WPCRF PROGRAM

The first step in the preparation of this PPL was the filing of Project Notices-of-Intent (NOIs) by eligible applicants. On December 12, 2018, a CWSRF – DWSRF Workshop was held to provide a detailed overview of the respective programs; and to inform municipalities, private businesses, consulting engineering firms, non-profits, and other interested parties of the need to submit NOIs for the 2019 PPL process by January 11, 2019. Based upon the responses received, the PPL was developed. The procedure for preparing the PPL is established in the Standard Operating Procedures for the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund. The PPL establishes a ranking of the projects that may be funded. Requested project assistance from this PPL may be funded in part from a FFY2019 Federal Capitalization Grant. The IUP identifies all projects which may be funded.

Five (5) new NOIs were received totaling \$15,060,000 from the first solicitation. Approximately \$1.5 million is allotted for approved Expanded Use programs (septic system remediation, agricultural non-point source projects, removal of leaking underground storage tanks, and nutrient management programs). Up to \$5 million may be used to fund property easement and fee simple land purchases under an approved Land Conservation Loan Program. Based on funding availability, projects may also be funded projects under an approved Water Quality Improvement Program.

III. FY 2019 Project Priority List

Note: *These new PPL Project Estimates are based on original Notices of Intent (NOIs) Submitted*

and are subject to change with final applications and binding commitments.

Rank	Year	Priority Points	Applicant / Project Title / Contact	Community/County/Population	Waterbody / NPDES	WPCRF Loan Requested
1	2019	N/A	State of Delaware Non-Point Source Water Pollution Control Loan Program Jessica Velazquez DNREC/EF Loan Mgmt. Officer 302-739-9941	Statewide Statewide 961,939	Statewide Non-Point Source	\$1,500,000
2	2019	N/A	Land Conservation Loan Program Carla Cassell-Carter DNREC/EF Administrator 302-739-9941	Statewide Statewide 961,939	Statewide Land Conservation Loan Program	\$5,000,000
3	2019	N/A	Water Quality Improvement Loan Sponsorship Program Carla Cassell-Carter DNREC/EF Administrator 302-739-9941	Statewide Statewide 961,939	Statewide Water Quality Improvement Loan Sponsorship Program	Unlimited - Based on Available Funds
4	2019	70.1	Sussex County Wolfe Runne John J. Ashman Director of Utility Planning 302-855-1299	Sussex County Council Sussex 270	Inland Bays - Rehoboth Bay WPCC-3042C-90 (Spray Irrigation)	\$4,100,000
5	2019	61.7	Sussex County Council Oak Acres John Ashman Director of Utility Planning 302-855-1299	Sussex County Council Sussex 150	Inland Bays - Little Assawoman NPDES-005-0008	\$2,580,000
6	2019	61.5	Sussex County Council Mallard Creek John Ashman Director of Utility Planning 302-855-1299	Sussex County Council Sussex 113	Inland Bays - Little Assawoman NPDES-005-0008	\$2,280,000
7	2019	58.0	Sussex County Council Branch, Autumn & Tucks Road - Long Neck John J. Ashman Director of Utility Planning 302-855-1299	Sussex County Council Sussex 350	Inland Bays - Indian River Bay WPCC-3042C-90 (Spray Irrigation)	\$3,600,000
8	2019	50.0	DNREC, Division of Watershed Stewardship Watershed Improvement Projects Terry Deputy 302-739-9941	Statewide Statewide 961,939	Statewide Statewide	\$2,500,000
Total (NOIs)						\$15,060,000